

Please amend Claim 8 as follows:

8. (Amended) The article according to Claim 1, wherein said third fibrous layer contains hydrophilic fibers and has a basis weight of from about 50 to about 500 g/m<sup>2</sup> and a density of from about 0.05 to about 0.30 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

Please amend Claim 9 as follows:

9. (Amended) The article according to Claim 1, wherein said third fibrous layer contains from about 5 to about 50% by weight of high absorption polymer grains.

Please amend Claim 10 as follows:

10. (Amended) The article according to Claim 7, wherein said hydrophilic fiber comprises fluff pulp.

#### IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as follows:

- -A disposable body fluid absorbent wearing article that includes a liquid-pervious topsheet including plastic film layer sections, liquid-pervious openings and a first fibrous layer bonded to the lower surface of the film layer sections. A second fibrous layer forming a liquid-absorbent core is contiguous to the lower surface of a first fibrous layer and a third fibrous layer is contiguous to the lower surface of the second fibrous layer. The wearing article is constructed so that its Klemm's water absorbency may progressively increase in the order of the first fibrous layer, the second fibrous layer and the third fibrous layer.- -

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